

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LA SALLE CITY COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS,  
745 SECOND STREET, LA SALLE, IL.  
7:00 P.M., TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2013**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT**

Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds,  
Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon

**ABSENT**

Alderman Ptak, Schneider

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Bacidore that the minutes of the regular city council meeting held on Tuesday, January 29, 2013 are accepted and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

**PETITIONS**

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Duncan that Jim Riley is allowed to address the council to give an update on the Rotary Park Foundation. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Mr. Riley outlined the origin and purpose of the LaSalle Rotary Park Foundation and He also informed the council of key activities to date, and the methods of contact with various groups. Mr. Riley spoke of the pledges, actual donations, and “in kind” contributions. They have received \$100,000 in pledges, \$115,000 in actual donations, \$247,500 “in kind” contributions (Operating Engineers \$200,000 and volunteers \$47,500). They paid \$72,000 for Phase I services and items. There is a Grand Opening scheduled for late spring and then a major fund raising kick-off. The Foundation members hope to raise \$400,000 by March 1, 2014 for Phase II. Mr. Riley said he hopes to see meaningful donations from all City Officials

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Reynolds that Ameren Illinois is allowed to break ground to install gas service at 849 1<sup>st</sup> Street to open the alley north of 1<sup>st</sup> Street and East of Joliet and to replace a street light pole on Wright Street at the alley south of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Demes that 2013 Raffle Licenses are issued to the IV Chapter of the American Red Cross, IVCC Foundation, Lighted Way Association Inc. Foundation, LaSalle Excellence Foundation and LaSalle-Peru Youth Football League. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Duncan that the request for a donation from Trinity Catholic Academy is referred to the Finance Committee for a recommendation. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Duncan that the request for a donation from Junior Achievement is referred to the Finance Committee for a donation. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Duncan that the request for a donation from the Illinois Valley Center for Independent Living is denied.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon. NAY: None. ABSENT: Alderman Ptak, Schneider. Motion carried.

### **REPORTS OF CITY OFFICERS**

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Herndon that the Treasurers' Report for January 2013 showing cash balances in the LaSalle State Bank of \$653,654.70 and in the Hometown National Bank of \$2,817,577.61 is accepted and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Duncan that the Illinois Department of Transportation report showing Motor Fuel Tax allotment for January 2013 of \$19,304.82 is accepted and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Herndon that the Illinois Department of Revenue Reports showing sales tax for November 2012 of \$68,175.28 and referendum approved sales tax of \$28,868.92 for a total of \$97,044.20 are accepted and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

### **STANDING COMMITTEES**

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Herndon that, at the recommendation by the Finance Committee, the request for funding/donation from LPYFL is denied. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Duncan that, at the recommendation of the Water Committee, the billing for high water bills as a result of faulty equipment of the customer is kept as it presently is.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon. NAY: Alderman Bacidore. ABSENT: Alderman Ptak, Schneider. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Duncan that, at the recommendation by the Finance Committee, the petition of Starved Rock Family Fun for reimbursement of Private TIF Eligible Redevelopment Project Costs is referred to the Mayor, City Attorney McPhedran and TIF Attorney Jacobs.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon.  
NAY: None. ABSENT: Alderman Ptak, Schneider. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that, at the recommendation of the Finance Committee and the Streets, Alleys and Traffic Committee, the sign-making machine is repaired. Estimated cost of \$1,500.00.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon.  
NAY: None. ABSENT: Alderman Ptak, Schneider. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Demes that, at the recommendation by the Water Committee, the proposal to allow water metering for filling pools and watering lawns/gardens is denied.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan. NAY: Alderman Bacidore, Herndon. ABSENT: Alderman Ptak, Schneider. Mayor Grove voted AYE.  
Motion carried.

## **SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds that the proposal to amend/update the Long-Term Control Plan is accepted.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon.  
NAY: None. ABSENT: Alderman Ptak, Schneider. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Herndon that authorization is given to pursue DECO Energy Grant funding related to an energy feasibility study.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon.  
NAY: None. ABSENT: Alderman Ptak, Schneider. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Duncan and seconded by Alderman Lavieri that authorization is given for change order #2 for the Ike Dike project.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon.  
NAY: None. ABSENT: Alderman Ptak, Schneider. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Herndon that authorization is given for payment #3 for Illinois Constructors Corporation for the Ike Dike Project.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon.  
NAY: None. ABSENT: Alderman Ptak, Schneider. Motion carried.

Moved by Alderman Bacidore and seconded by Alderman Demes that Kathy Tomlinson is allowed to address the council regarding abandoned buildings. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Ms. Tomlinson thanked the council for all the progress regarding demolishing several buildings in the city and addressing others. She said she hopes they continue.

Moved by Alderman Demes and seconded by Alderman Reynolds that Charles Crass is allowed to address the council regarding the shopper's bus. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

Mr. Crass said he would like the city to continue to pay for a shoppers' bus. He said he, as well as other citizens would miss the service since he cannot afford to use a taxi. Mayor Grove said that the cost to the city was prohibitive. The family that donated money to keep the bus running for the past few years has moved from the area.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Grove announced that proposals regarding comprehensive planning will be presented to the Council and he suggested that the proposals be done on two different nights. The Engineering proposals will be made Tuesday, February 19<sup>th</sup> and the Planning proposals will be made on February 20<sup>th</sup>, both beginning at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

### **ORDINANCES/RESOLUTIONS**

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Reynolds that Ordinance No. 2416: Ordinance Approving Community Development Assistance Program Procurement Policy for the City of LaSalle is accepted and passed; each alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE: Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon. NAY: None. ABSENT: Alderman Ptak, Schneider. Motion carried.

#### **Ordinance No. 2416: Ordinance Approving Community Development Assistance Program Procurement Policy for the City of LaSalle**

### **APPROVAL OF BILLS**

Moved by Alderman Lavieri and seconded by Alderman Herndon that bills submitted totaling \$297,496.19 (Payroll \$145,465.35; bills to be paid \$79,205.33; bills paid \$72,825.51) be accepted, paid and placed on file; each and every alderman has a copy.

ROLL CALL: AYE; Alderman Demes, Bacidore, Reynolds, Lavieri, Duncan, Herndon. NAY: None. ABSENT: Alderman Ptak, Schneider. Motion carried.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Alderman Herndon and seconded by Alderman Reynolds that the meeting is adjourned. Voice vote all ayes; motion carried.

**ADJOURNED 8:11 P.M.**

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Virginia Kochanowski Clerk